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SUBJECT:U.S.-MEXICO TRADE SUB-GROUP MEETING AGENDA

REF: MEXICO 06916

1. WITH REGARD TO MEXICAN AGENDA SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN REFTEL, OUR VIEWS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2. AGENDA ITEMS I AND II ARE APPROVED.

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3. AGENDA ITEM III-A IS APPROVED.

4. AGENDA ITEM III-B. WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED MEXICO'S ANALYSIS AND THEREFORE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO OFFER A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF OUR OWN. WE SUGGEST THAT THIS BE LEFT TO LANDE-GARRIDO WORKING GROUP.

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5. AGENDA ITEM III-C IS APPROVED.

6. AGENDA ITEM IV-A IS APPROVED.

7. AGENDA ITEM IV-B IS APPROVED BUT WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS MEXICAN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS MEXICAN ACCESSION TO GATT.

8. AGENDA ITEM V - U.S.-MEXICAN TROPICAL PRODUCTS AGREEMENT IS APPROVED BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO LEARN OUTLOOK FOR RATIFICATION FROM THE MEXICANS.

9. AGENDA ITEM VI-WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A DISCUSSION OF BOTH MEXICAN AND U.S. COMMERCIAL POLICY. WE ACCEPT MEXICAN WORDING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE COMMENT ABOUT U.S. PROTECTIONIST TENDENCIES.

10. AGENDA ITEM VII - MEXICAN PROPOSAL SHOULD BECOME VII A. CASES OF INTEREST TO THE U.S. IN ITS COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH MEXICO SHOULD BECOME VII B UNDER WHICH WE PROPOSE TO DISCUSS: 1. MEXICAN AUTO DECREE 2. MEXICO'S TAX ON IMPORTED ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES 3. LIVESTOCK ISSUES INCLUDING BUNCHING OF MEXICAN FEEDER CATTLE TO THE U.S. AND MEXICAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON BREEDING CATTLE. 4. RECENT LIBERALIZATION OF MEXICAN IMPORT REGIME.

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11. WE PROPOSE AN AGENDA ITEM VIII, IF TIME ALLOWS, ON THE FUTURE WORK OF TRADE SUB-GROUP. MEXICO'S PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM VIII, AS PRESENTED, ON THE COMMON FUND IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE TOPIC FOR SUB-GROUP DISCUSSION. VANCE

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